

AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: APRIL 18, 2007

DEPARTMENT: OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS
DIRECTOR: DAVID RIGGLEMAN

SUBJECT:

RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL AND GLOBAL YOUTH SERVICE DAY

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

Submitted at meeting – copy of Proclamation declaring National Youth Service Day

Minutes:

No motion required. A presentation was made.

COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN pointed out the incredible diversity and strength of the youth in the community. She then noted that the best basketball being played is by women. Even her husband, who was a basketball coach and did not believe in women playing basketball, completely changed his mind after watching some of the women teams in action.

COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN segued into recognizing National and Global Youth Service Day, which was created to campaign for education and public awareness to highlight the amazing contributions of youth. The negative headlines about youth concern those youth that are going in the opposite direction. Therefore, it is important to mention and bring attention to the positive accomplishments of the community's youth. She thanked the members of the local youth councils, as well as participants in other youth activities. Each of these youth created a poster, which were displayed throughout City Hall, to depict his/her accomplishments and hopes for the future, in an attempt to dispel any negative images and demonstrate the positive side of Las Vegas youth. She called forward LEVI CHAVEZ, President of the CATS Outreach Youth Council, who accepted a Proclamation declaring April 21, 2007, as National Youth Service Day in the City of Las Vegas.

MR. CHAVEZ, who was joined by MILO HALL, Vice President of CATS Outreach Youth Council, thanked the Council for giving youth councils the opportunity to post posters, which will hopefully help to change the perception of youth in Las Vegas.

ADDITIONAL RECOGNITIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN welcomed the students attending the Clark County Community College High School Program. Six of the students would be sitting during the morning session with the Council members to observe the meeting, as part of a requirement of government class. The student representatives came forward as she called their names: LEXI HOLGUIN, TAYLOR COLE, VAS G. VAN, ANDRE ESCAMILLA, JOE ALEXANDER and ADRIANA PADRON.

Later in the meeting, since there was nothing to report under Item 54 (Emerging Issues), MAYOR GOODMAN, at the request of COUNCILMAN REESE, had the students identify themselves and outline their aspirations for the future.

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